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## Claim Rejections - 35 USC 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication #2003/0009461 ("Notargiacomo" hereinafter). Notargiacomo teaches a mechanism for a terminal service organization enlisting a customer for a web-service, comprising: means for providing an avenue 18 by which said terminal service organization can refer said customer 42 to said web-service; wherein said avenue identifies said terminal service organization to said web-service; means for said customer using said avenue to engage said web-service to provide at least one web-service product customized by at least one instruction 84 from said customer, to create a web-site revenue for said web-service (see also paragraphs 44, 50, 52, 57 and 58); and means for said terminal service organization receiving an organization revenue based upon said customer using said avenue to create said web-site revenue (see especially last portion of paragraph 57); wherein said terminal service organization includes at least one member of the collection comprising: a funeral home, a retirement community, a hospice, a hospital, a sanitarium, a temple, a synagogue, a mosque, a church, a shrine, a nursing home, a mausoleum, a cemetery, and an assisted living facility; wherein said web-service product includes at least one web-site component, which is an instance of a member of the web-site component collection; wherein said web site component collection comprises an audio stream, a video stream (see e.g. paragraph 45), an interactive model, a text, a still frame, a web page layout, a security control (e.g. paragraph 55), a hosting means for at least a second of said web-site components, a transferring means for at least one of said second web-site components, and an interactive means for generating at least one of said second web-site components.

### Response to Arguments

Applicant argues that in Notargiacomo "the terminal service organization does not refer the customer to a web service." The examiner respectfully disagrees. It should be plain from figure 2b, on it's face, that a referral takes place. XYZ funeral home is clearly directing customers to a web service at xyz.vlo.com. Of course, this is supported by the disclosure at paragraphs 44, 45, 52, 57 and 58. In paragraph 57, Notargiacomo states that "A referral fee may be collected by the web page/site 25 for any business forwarded to the provider 50 from the web page/site 25." Taken in context, 50 may also be an internet service, as described earlier in paragraph 57. The web site 25 may be hosted by a funeral home, or by a web hosting company. Thus, Applicant's further statements, that "Without that referral, the Applicant does not find an avenue for such a referral taking place. Further, the non-existent avenue cannot identify the terminal service organization to the web service," are clearly contradicted by the reference. The Applicant later states that "The Applicant does not find any discussion of web-site revenue for the web service. Consequently, the Applicant cannot find any discussion of the terminal service organization receiving an organization revenue based upon the customer using the non-existent avenue to create an unmentioned web-site revenue." The examiner finds all of these discussions in the disclosure at paragraphs 44, 45, 52, 57 and 58.

#### Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO

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MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

#### Voice

Inquiries for the Examiner should be directed to Mark Tremblay at (571) 272-2408. The Examiner=s regular office hours are 10:30 am to 7:00 pm EST Monday to Friday. Voice mail is available. If Applicant has trouble contacting the Examiner, the Supervisory Patent Examiner, Michael Lee, can be reached on (571) 272-2398. Technical questions and comments concerning PTO procedures may be directed to the Patent Assistance Center hotline at 1-800-786-9199 or (703) 308-4357.

PRIMARY EXAMINER

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